

IN THE CLAIM

Please cancel Claims 1 to 4, without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter thereof, and add new claims 5 to 9. The added new claim 5 is based on the original claims 1 and 4 and the features in Fig. 12 of the present invention. The new claim 6 and 7 are identical to the original claims 2 and 3, respectively, but now they are dependent to the new claim 4. Claims 8 and 9 are a new claim which is described in Fig. 13 of the present invention. The contents are also described in the second paragraph, page 4 of the specification. Thereby, it is assured that the new claims are based on the original claim and specification and thus no new matter is added. The relation of the new claims with respect to the original claims are shown in the following REMARK, Examiners can read the claims more easily from the REMARK.

LIST OF CLAIMS:

Claims 1 to 4 (Cancelled)

Claim 5. (New) A socket wrench for ratchet wheel sockets, comprising:
a handle having a first and a second recess at a first terminal thereof,
an first empty space between a pair of first ear portions defining said first recess, each of said first ear portions being provided with an axial hole;
a first drive piece for retaining a first ratchet wheel on which a ratchet wheel socket can be mounted, said recess of said handle receiving a pivotal portion of said first drive piece; and
a first retaining pin for connecting said handle and said first drive piece by being inserted through said axial holes of said first ear portions and said pivotal portion of said first drive piece;
a second empty space between a pair of second ear portions defining said second recess, each of said second ear portions being provided with an axial hole;

a second drive piece 1 for retaining a second ratchet wheel on which a ratchet wheel socket can be mounted, said recess of said handle receiving a pivotal portion of said second drive piece; and

a second retaining pin 3 for connecting said handle and said second drive piece by being inserted through said axial holes of said second car portions and said pivotal portion of said second drive piece;

wherein the driving axes of the first drive piece and the second drive piece are perpendicular to each other.

whereby each said drive piece can be folded about a respect one of said retaining pins to change the angular position of said drive piece with respect to said handle.

Claim 6. (New) The socket wrench for ratchet wheel sockets of claim 5 wherein said drive piece has a lock means for switching the rotational direction of said ratchet wheel of said drive piece.

Claim 7. (New) The socket wrench for ratchet wheel sockets of claim 5 wherein said retaining pin is provided with a plurality of elongated longitudinal jogs for providing a frictional effect on said drive piece so that a selected angular position can be maintained.

Claim 8. (New) The socket wrench for ratchet wheel sockets of claim 5, wherein at least one of the first and second driving pieces is provided with a receptacle hole for retaining one ratchet wheel; the ratchet wheel is a hollow cylinder, an outer wall thereof is provided a plurality of teeth and an inner wall thereof is provided with a plurality of bulged gripping portions; the gripping portions are divided into an upper half and a lower half by a groove; the groove is housed with an O shaped gripping plate for retaining a socket.

Claim 9. (New) The socket wrench for ratchet wheel sockets of claim 8, wherein the drive piece is further provided with a lock means that includes a through hole, being coaxial with the axis of the recess portion, and a locking pin; the through hole is formed on the handle side of the receptacle hole, having a central section connected to the receptacle hole; the locking pin is pivotally mounted within the through hole and can slide

along the through hole; the locking pin is provided with a recessed central section that fits the circumference of the receptacle hole and has a first teeth row and a second teeth row; the teeth rows is engaged with the teeth on the outer wall of the ratchet wheel; the first teeth row and the second teeth row each restrict the rotation of the ratchet wheel in a predetermined direction.